

House Resolution No. 1769

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding young Missouri citizen who has distinguished herself as a leader of her peers; and

Whereas, Octavia Stewart of Columbia, Missouri, is the Boys and Girls Club of Columbia 2005 Youth of the Year; and

Whereas, the National Youth of the Year Program is sponsored by The Reader's Digest Foundation and is designed to promote and recognize a youth's service to the Club and to community, academic performance, and contributions to family and spiritual life; and

Whereas, Octavia Stewart is a fifth grade student at Blue Ridge Elementary School where she is active in the Science Club; and

Whereas, Octavia Stewart is the worthy recipient of several awards and honors including the DARE Award and the Blue Ridge Elementary School Citizen of the Month for February 2005; and

Whereas, an active member of the Second Baptist Church of Columbia, Octavia Stewart has achieved all of this and more with the love and support of her proud parents, Thomeana Porter and Phillip Porter, Jr.:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Octavia Stewart at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for 2005 Youth of the Year, Octavia Stewart.

Offered by _____

Representative Jeff Harris

District No. 23

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1769, adopted April 4, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker